REMARKS

The above amendatory action is taken solely for the purpose of avoiding claim fees that would otherwise accrue due to the presence of multiple dependent claims.

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- 10. (amended) A composition as claimed in claim 1, [claim 8 or claim 9,] wherein the ratio of inner coating to outer coating is in the range of 1:0.3 to 1:5.
- 11. (amended) A composition as claimed in claim 1, [claim 8 or claim 9,] wherein the ratio of inner coating to outer coating is in the range of 1:0.5 to 1:4.
- 21. (amended) A composition as claimed in claim 1, [claim 8 or claim 9,] wherein the controlled release form comprises from about 30% to about 80% by weight of cefuroxime axetil and about 1% to about 25% by weight of a mixture of a) and b) wherein the inner polymeric coat comprises from about 1% to about 12% by weight and the outer polymeric coat comprises from about 2% to about 10% by weight of controlled release form.
- 22. (amended) A composition as claimed in claim 1, [claim 8 or claim 9,] wherein the controlled release form comprises from about 30% to about 80% by weight of cefuroxime axetil and about 1% to about 20% by weight of a mixture of a) and b) wherein the inner polymeric coat comprises from about 1% to about 9% by weight and the outer polymeric coat comprises from about 2% to about 8% by weight of controlled release form.
- 38. (amended) A composition as claimed in claim 36 [or claim 37], wherein the plasticizer is present in an amount of from about 1% to about 20% by weight of

dry polymer.

46. (amended) A process for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in [any one of the] claim[s] 40, [42 to 44] wherein the inlet and outlet air temperatures of fluid bed processor are maintained between 40° C to 65° C and 20° C to 40° C, respectively.

47. (amended) A process for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition as claimed in [any one of the] claim[s] 40, [42 to 44] wherein the inlet and outlet air temperatures of fluid bed processor are maintained between 55° C to 65° C and 30° C to 40° C. respectively.